

members. We closed with love feast which to all was truly a spiritual feast to every soul. Brother Livengood endeared himself to all who heard him. He has a plain practical way of presenting the truth. His talk upon the spiritual import of the ordinances was the best we have ever heard. We invited him back to hold meeting again for us. We have at last settled down in Morrill, where we are nearer our work, being three and a half miles from Pony Creek and eight from Bethany. Our brethren were kind to us, hauling our goods some twenty miles, and since we have gone to house keeping our members have given us many things upon which to supply the table, woodshed and barn. We appreciate these gifts. They may mean but little to those who give more than the blessing attending the giving, but they mean much to the pastor. There are few ministers who receive cash enough to support them, and little donations occasionally are a great help and leads the preacher to believe the church is interested in his welfare. May the congregations all over the brotherhood remember their pastors by helping them along these lines. J. H. BURNWORTH.

Kanemorado Echoes

With disappointment, we are compelled to record the fact, that we are off duty, at home sick. The severe snow storm and possibly some carelessness on our part in exposing ourself. We have contracted a severe cold and are suffering from an attack of acute rheumatism, compelling me to submit to the inevitable "to take a lay off," for a season. We hope it will not be long. But we feel to submit humbly, for we do certainly realize that we have been very much blessed during the last two years, especially in regard to health. We hope the churches or isolated members desiring the services of the District Evangelist will send us their requests at once so that if health permits, in the beginning of the year, we may outline our work, so as to incur as little traveling expense as possible. The district is large, and it becomes necessary to look well to the cost, in meeting calls. Churches will please bear in mind that the District Conference, requests that forty cents per member be provided by the churches for carrying on the work of the district, and if each pastor will lay the matter before his congregation in a simple gospel way, there need be no trouble in supporting the work. "To lay by as the Lord prospers" is all that is necessary to meet the needs of the district. We would not have the brethren and sisters forget the National work. Washington and Chicago have special claims upon the brotherhood. We have opened up these points. It is the Lords work and we must not neglect or ignore them. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver" and abundantly blesses those who put their trust in him. Our prayer to God is that during this ecclesiastical year we may see marked advancement in the mission cause, and much more earnestness on the part of all the pastors especially in our district in behalf of

this branch of our church work. The gospel must be carried to the people and none but the faithfully earnest ones will do it.

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A Great Revival

Daily Press, Dayton, O.

The First Brethren (Progressive) church, which has been holding services for the past two years in the Radical U. B. church on Clemmer street, closed the special meetings for revival work of five weeks' duration, last Sunday night with just even fifty confessions. Rev. J. M. Tombaugh, now pastor of the First church, of Hagerstown, Md., organized the mission at its present situation about two years ago. About a year and a half ago Rev. Zed H. Copp, then pastor of the University church, of Ashland, Ohio, came and took the Miami charge, embracing Dayton, Bear Creek and Miamisburg. Since last April Rev. Copp has confined his labors to Dayton alone. The work has gone steadily forward from the beginning, and now every department of church work is in a flourishing condition. They have a large and enthusiastic Sunday-school, a King's Children of Christian Endeavor, preaching both morning and evening and prayer meeting on Thursday night. Revs. Louis S. Bowman, of Indiana, and John M. Bowman, of Miamisburg, have assisted Rev. Copp in the late revival.

The West Side, in the vicinity of the church, has had a great spiritual awakening, which clearly demonstrates that the gospel of Christ, as Paul said, "is the power of God unto salvation." The "Progressives," as they are commonly known, are unlike any other Christian denomination, in that they teach and practice as a church "the gospel, the whole gospel and nothing but the gospel—without addition, subtraction or alteration," to use their own language. Their standard is: What did Jesus do? They believe in a simple faith, a sincere repentance, trine immersion for baptism, washing of feet, a supper, and the bread and wine for the holy communion and a life of holiness in conformity with the Bible. They have opened subscription books for a church property more convenient to the car line, and the prospects are encouraging that it will be speedily secured.

Mount Everett Church

If our good Editor will give me space I will drop a few lines thinking it may be interesting to some of our dear readers. I enjoy reading letters from our paper. Husband and I left Johnstown on October 5, and returned on Dec. 8. We spent one month with my sister and family in Kansas. That is over thirteen hundred miles. We had the pleasure of meeting with the Maple Grove brethren and sisters. They are alive in the work of their Master with Brother Bissel as their home pastor and brother C. Forney preaches every three months for them. He comes from Beaver City, Nebraska, the distance of thirty-six miles. He preaches Sat-

urday evening, Sunday morning and Sunday evening. He preaches with power. I rejoiced to see two of my nieces baptized and one married. I communed with them with about fifty present. They have a very lively Sabbath-school. Bidding farewell we started for Waterloo, Iowa; there we met with relatives and friends. The S. S. C. E. is at work there. The Brethren are going to build a church house there. Sister Harrison took me to the place they bought for that purpose. It is a nice location. Bidding farewell there, next met many relatives and friends in Hudson. Spent ten days of enjoyment with them. They had a nice house ready to dedicate. The S. S. C. E. is doing grand work at that place. God bless them everywhere. Brother Will and George Strayer and wife with us drove out in the country eight miles to Enon to hear Brother Gillin preach. Bidding farewell with them we started for Wauseon, Ohio. Meeting with relatives and friends there spent a few happy days with them. Found a few isolated members but strong in their faith. They have twenty-five miles to go to the church of their choice. They said we should not forget them, we should all pray for them. We bade farewell to dear ones there and started for Glenford, Ohio, spent two days with brother and sister I. D. Findley, then started to Pittsburg, spent two days there took a car on Sunday and went out to hear Brother Darling preach. We were glad to meet him as he had preached two years for us in Rose-dale. May God bless his labors at that place is our prayer. We next went to Greensburg, spent two days with relatives there, then started for home and found family all well. We have great reason to praise God for our safe journey. Today we had the pleasure of listening to our home pastor, brother Alvin Byers. He is young in the ministry but preaches with power. While in Chicago we spent a pleasant evening with Sister Gibbons and Sister Talley.

Dear brother and sisters, when I think of the pleasant days we spent together, and with the kindness you all treated us my eyes fill with tears. But let us all try to live close to the bleeding side of our dear Redeemer so if we never meet on earth again we can meet where meeting and parting is known no more.

MRS. A. STUTZMAN.

Johnstown, Pa.

The Sunday School

LESSON 1.—JANUARY 7

The Birth of Jesus.—Luke 2: 1-16

Golden Text.—Thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins. Matt. 1: 21.

Lesson Thought.—Jesus, the Son of God, was born the Savior of the world.

Time.—December B. C. 5, or the early part of B. C. 4. It was several centuries after Jesus was born that men began to date history from the birth of Christ. In A. D. 56, when the calculations were first published a mistake of about 4 years was made.

Place.—Bethlehem of Judea, five or six miles south of Jerusalem. The town now contains about 5,000 inhabitants.